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For: **DISPOSABLE SYRINGE DEVICE AUXILIARY UNIT FOR PREVENTING
IATROGENIC INFECTION THROUGH NEEDLE**

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In response to the Office Action dated **March 18, 2004**, entry of the following
amendments and remarks, reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2
of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.